

FOREIGN BROADCAST INFORMATION SERVICE
HONG KONG BUREAU

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, Foreign Broadcast Information Service
THROUGH : Chief, Operations Group
SUBJECT : Monthly Report--Hong Kong Bureau--October 1986

I. GENERAL

A. Queen Elizabeth and Prince Philip's visit to the PRC and Hong Kong was the highlight of the month. A BBC request for liberal filing on the visit with particular emphasis on trade and cultural relations resulted in extensive filing of reportage and commentary by the bureau. Predicatably high media interest in the visit was intensified by Prince Philip's controversial remarks in Xian about "slitty eyes" and Beijing as being "ghastly". PRC and Hong Kong leftist media ignored the controversy and hailed the Queen's visit to China, calling it significant in many ways.

The Hong ^(LM) Government declared 22 October a public holiday in honor of the Queen's visit. Bureau personnel had front-seat viewing as the Queen and Prince Philip drove past the bureau to and from the Governor's residence.

B. No decision has yet been made on whether to accept Bonham Road housing. The bureau will become a part of the consulate housing pool once Bonham Road is accepted. Consul General Anderson has authorized a study by a local real estate firm to look at options and associated costs to the Bonham site. Once this is finished, he will meet with the owners to see if an alternative can be found. The Consulate would prefer to decline Bonham Road if it can be done at reasonable cost.

II. OPERATIONS

A. Monitorial/Editorial

1. Shenzhen Special Economic Zone inaugurated its own radio station on 1 October. It is the first of the special economic zones to do so. The bureau surveyed the station for a 3-day period and did not find it to be very productive. The station relays national and Guangdong provincial news broadcasts already covered. Local news was found to contain little unique reporting, and even that was very low-level. The bureau will continue to regularly check the station, but has no plans to put it on regular coverage at this time.

2. Arrangements for ad hoc recording of Beijing television have been made with Cable & Wireless. Hong Kong will provide backup recordings when Okinawa has to relinquish coverage due to equipment failure, typhoons or the need to respond to other crises.

3. After more than a year of forwarding AG's and NEAD's copies of the PEOPLES DAILY and GUANGMING via the cities tapes shipments thus insuring timely receipt, the bureau has once again turned to the international mails to forward copies. While not as timely as the Federal Express shipments which were discontinued with the transfer of Beijing coverage to Okinawa, this method has the advantage of being less costly.

4. The bureau chief TDY'd to Beijing for consultations with the new Beijing contractor and to meet with embassy officers in late October. It had been some three years since the last visit by a Hong Kong staffer.

B. Lateral Services

The July Vladivostok speech by Gorbachev continues to be a best seller. While Secretary of Defense Casper Weinberger was in Hong Kong 6-7 October, the bureau was asked to provide him with a copy.

C. Technical

1. Discussions continue with C&W over finding an alternative microwave path from St John's Building to our antenna field at Mt Butler. We are assessing the feasibility of using a C&W tower located farther up on Mt Butler for placement of two passive microwave dishes. This would provide a clear view of St John's and allow us continued use of our microwave link.

2. Final decision by C&W on relocation of its Mt Butler antenna field to a Cape D'Aguilar site is still pending.

3. The following accountable property was transferred to Okinawa this month:

- 1 Sony TV receiver/monitor, model CVM-1350E, S/N 501326
- 1 Sony TV receiver/monitor, model CVM 1310E, S/N 011701
- 1 Sony VCR model VO-2630, S/N 46560.

III. ADMINISTRATION

A. Personnel

1. Chinese monitor, left the bureau's employment on 10 October 1986. Recruitment efforts are under way to find a replacement.

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2. Preliminary approvals have been granted to bring a replacement on board to fill the Philippine monitor vacancy. The bureau is waiting for final Headquarters approval.

B. Building and Grounds

With the transfer of Beijing TV coverage to Okinawa, the former TV monitoring room has been reconfigured to serve as the new Philippine monitoring room. The change has helped provide relief from the increasingly cramped situation the Philippine monitors have been working under.

IV. VISITS

To the Bureau

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A. [] C/RAB, ADD, and contractor []
[] 3 - 10 October to discuss field
automation.

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B. [] on 7
October to tour the bureau.

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C. Bangkok Senior Editor [] and family visited the
bureau on 12 October while on private travel.

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D. Bangkok editors []
while on private travel on 21 October.

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E. [] chief, South Asia Unit at Bangkok, on 21
October.

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From the Bureau

Bureau Chief to Beijing for consultations with FBIS contractor
and embassy officers 25 - 29 October.

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Bureau Chief

Attachment and 3 - Hqs

cc: 1 - C/Bangkok
1 - C/Okinawa
1 - C/Seoul

HONG KONG BUREAU PRODUCTION REPORT FOR OCTOBER 1986

I. TOTALS FROM ALL SOURCES:

TOTAL PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH:	996940
TOTAL NON-PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH:	83090
TOTAL NUMBER OF PUBLISHABLE ITEMS FILED DURING MONTH:	1720

	BROAD- CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI- CATIONS
II. INPUT OF REGULAR COVERAGE:	4090	14550	293

 III. OUTPUT FROM ALL SOURCES:
 (PUBLISHABLE WORDS PER MONTH)

CHINA	
BEIJING INTERNATIONAL SERVICE IN	
TAGALOG	3940
BEIJING TELEVISION SERVICE IN	
MANDARIN	0
CHANGSHA HUNAN PROVINCIAL SERVICE IN	
MANDARIN	4650
CHENGDU SICHUAN PROVINCIAL SERVICE IN	
MANDARIN	11390
GUANGZHOU GUANGDONG PROVINCIAL SERVICE IN	
MANDARIN	7080
GUIYANG GUIZHOU PROVINCIAL SERVICE IN	
MANDARIN	3640
HAIKOU HAINAN ISLAND SERVICE IN	
MANDARIN	0
KUNMING YUNNAN PROVINCIAL SERVICE IN	
MANDARIN	9130
LANZHOU GANSU PROVINCIAL SERVICE IN	
MANDARIN	3420
LHASA XIZANG REGIONAL SERVICE IN	
MANDARIN	3960
NANNING GUANGXI REGIONAL SERVICE IN	
MANDARIN	7570
SHENZHEN CITY SERVICE IN	
CANTONESE	200
TAIYUAN SHANXI PROVINCIAL SERVICE IN	
MANDARIN	5390
URUMQI XINJIANG REGIONAL SERVICE IN	
MANDARIN	8060
WUHAN HUBEI PROVINCIAL SERVICE IN	
MANDARIN	6790
XIAN SHAANXI PROVINCIAL SERVICE IN	
MANDARIN	9090
XINING QINGHAI PROVINCIAL SERVICE IN	
MANDARIN	3520
ZHENGZHOU HENAN PROVINCIAL SERVICE IN	
MANDARIN	4500

BEIJING XINHUA HONG KONG SERVICE IN CHINESE	5350
HONG KONG ZHONGGUO TONGXUN SHE IN CHINESE	7690
HONG KONG ZHONGGUO XINWEN SHE IN CHINESE	23230
BEIJING BAN YUE TAN IN CHINESE	15240
BEIJING BAOGAO WENXUE IN CHINESE	0
BEIJING CHINA DAILY IN ENGLISH	28480
BEIJING GONGREN RIBAO IN CHINESE	2200
BEIJING GUANGMING RIBAO IN CHINESE	19550
BEIJING GUOJI SHANGBAO IN CHINESE	1200
BEIJING GUOJI WENTI YANJIU IN CHINESE	0
BEIJING HONGQI IN CHINESE	76710
BEIJING JINGJI CANKAO IN CHINESE	0
BEIJING JINGJI GUANLI IN CHINESE	12940
BEIJING JINGJI RIBAO IN CHINESE	7200
BEIJING JINGJI YANJIU IN CHINESE	8020
BEIJING JINGJIXUE ZHOUBAO IN CHINESE	0
BEIJING LIAOWANG IN CHINESE	7150
BEIJING LILUN YUEKAN IN CHINESE	0
BEIJING LISHI YANJIU IN CHINESE	0
BEIJING NONGMIN RIBAO IN CHINESE	0
BEIJING RENMIN RIBAO IN CHINESE	97130
BEIJING RENMIN RIBAO OVERSEAS EDITION IN CHINESE	2680
BEIJING SHIJIE JINGJI IN CHINESE	0
BEIJING SHIJIE LISHI IN CHINESE	0
BEIJING SHIJIE ZHISHI IN CHINESE	2170
BEIJING WENYI BAO IN CHINESE	0
BEIJING WENZHAI BAO IN CHINESE	0
BEIJING XINWEN ZHANXIAN IN CHINESE	0

BEIJING ZHEXUE YANJIU IN	
CHINESE	0
BEIJING ZHONGGUO FAZHI BAO IN	
CHINESE	0
BEIJING ZHONGGUO QINGNIAN BAO IN	
CHINESE	0
CHENGDU SICHUAN RIBAO IN	
CHINESE	2820
CHONGQING CHONGQING RIBAO IN	
CHINESE	0
FUZHOU ZHONGGUO JINGJI WENTI IN	
CHINESE	0
GUANGZHOU GUANGZHOU RIBAO IN	
CHINESE	0
GUANGZHOU KAIFANG IN	
CHINESE	0
GUANGZHOU NANFANG RIBAO IN	
CHINESE	2810
GUANGZHOU YANGCHENG WANBAO IN	
CHINESE	0
HAIKOU HAINAN RIBAO IN	
CHINESE	0
HONG KONG LIAOWANG OVERSEAS EDITION IN	
CHINESE	42330
KUNMING YUNNAN RIBAO IN	
CHINESE	1250
KUNMING YUNNAN SIXIANG ZHANXIAN IN	
CHINESE	0
LANZHOU GANSU RIBAO IN	
CHINESE	4000
LANZHOU LANZHOU WANBAO IN	
CHINESE	0
SHANGHAI SHIJIE JINGJI DAOBAO IN	
CHINESE	870
TAIYUAN SHANXI RIBAO IN	
CHINESE	320
WUHAN CHANGJIANG RIBAO IN	
CHINESE	0
WUHAN HUBEI RIBAO IN	
CHINESE	0
XIAN SHAANXI RIBAO IN	
CHINESE	0
XIAN XIBEI XINXI BAO IN	
CHINESE	0
YINCHUAN NINGXIA RIBAO IN	
CHINESE	2300
ZHENGZHOU HENAN RIBAO IN	
CHINESE	4440

HONG KONG
HONG KONG COMMERCIAL RADIO IN
ENGLISH

HONG KONG DOMESTIC SERVICE IN ENGLISH	480	
HONG KONG ASIA TELEVISION LTD IN ENGLISH	0	
HONG KONG AFP IN ENGLISH		77920
HONG KONG ASIAWEEK IN ENGLISH		0
HONG KONG CHANWANG IN CHINESE		0
HONG KONG CHENG MING IN CHINESE		10500
HONG KONG CHING PAO IN CHINESE		0
HONG KONG CHIUSHIH NIENTAI IN CHINESE		0
HONG KONG FAR EASTERN ECONOMIC REVIEW IN ENGLISH		2820
HONG KONG HONGKONG STANDARD IN ENGLISH		11360
HONG KONG HSIN WAN'PAO IN CHINESE		7650
HONG KONG KUANG CHIAO CHING IN CHINESE		0
HONG KONG MING PAO IN CHINESE		3660
HONG KONG PAI HSING IN CHINESE		0
HONG KONG SOUTH CHINA MORNING POST IN ENGLISH		44990
HONG KONG SUNDAY MORNING POST IN ENGLISH		3690
HONG KONG SUNDAY STANDARD IN ENGLISH		2650
HONG KONG TA KUNG PAO IN CHINESE		11260
HONG KONG TA KUNG PAO IN ENGLISH		4600
HONG KONG WEN WEI PO IN CHINESE		7040
NEW ZEALAND AUCKLAND THE NEW ZEALAND HERALD IN ENGLISH		12410
WELLINGTON THE EVENING POST IN ENGLISH		35330

PHILIPPINES

DAGUPAN CITY DZDL RADIO IN		
TAGALOG	0	
LADAG CITY NATION BROADCASTING COMPANY CORP. STATION DWRI IN		
ILOCANO	980	
MANILA FAR EAST BROADCASTING COMPANY IN		
ENGLISH	17850	
MANILA FAR EAST BROADCASTING COMPANY IN		
TAGALOG	2790	
MANILA RADIO VERITAS IN		
ENGLISH	220	
MANILA RADIO VERITAS IN		
TAGALOG	9650	
QUEZON CITY DZFM RADIO IN		
ENGLISH	0	
QUEZON CITY RADYO NG BAYAN IN		
ENGLISH	0	
QUEZON CITY RADYO NG BAYAN IN		
TAGALOG	10390	
CEBU CITY VISAYAN HERALD IN		
ENGLISH		2650
DAVAO CITY DAVAO STAR IN		
ENGLISH		1560
DAVAO CITY PEOPLE'S DAILY FORUM IN		
ENGLISH		3730
DAVAO CITY PERYODIKO DABAW IN		
ENGLISH		740
DAVAO CITY SAN PEDRO EXPRESS IN		
ENGLISH		1330
DAVAO CITY THE MINDANAO DAILY MIRROR IN		
ENGLISH		2730
MANILA FILIPINO TIMES IN		
ENGLISH		3300
MANILA MANILA BULLETIN IN		
ENGLISH		22370
MANILA MR. & MS. (SPECIAL EDITION) IN		
ENGLISH		0
MANILA PHILIPPINE DAILY INQUIRER IN		
ENGLISH		27000
MANILA THE MANILA CHRONICLE IN		
ENGLISH		37180
MANILA THE MANILA EVENING POST IN		
ENGLISH		1330
MANILA THE MANILA JOURNAL		
ENGLISH		3610
MANILA THE MANILA TIMES IN		
ENGLISH		10220
MANILA THE NEW PHILIPPINES DAILY EXPRESS IN		
ENGLISH		6860
MANILA THE NEW PHILIPPINES SUNDAY EXPRESS IN		
ENGLISH		490
MANILA THE SUNDAY TIMES IN		
ENGLISH		360
QUEZON CITY ANG PAHAYAGANG MALAYA IN		
ENGLISH		17540
QUEZON CITY BUSINESS DAY IN		
ENGLISH		76840

QUEZON CITY NEW DAY IN
ENGLISH
QUEZON CITY VERITAS IN
ENGLISH
QUEZON CITY WE FORUM IN
ENGLISH

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